## RESOLUTION NO. <u>08-78</u>

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY CLERK, AS ATTESTING WITNESS, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, TO ENTER INTO A COSPONSOR AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA SCHOOLS OF EXCELLENCE COSPONSOR COMISSION TO CHARTER SCHOOLS, A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AND HEREOF IN PART MADE Α SUBSTANTIAL FORM ACCEPTABLE TO THE CITY ATTORNEY AS EXHIBIT "A".

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature has found charter schools to be a critical component of the state's efforts to provide efficient and high quality schools; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature has found that new sources of community support should be authorized to sponsor charter schools in order to maximize high-quality educational options for all students regardless of disability, race or socioeconomic status; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Schools of Excellence Commission ("FSEC") has been granted the power to authorize municipalities, state universities, community colleges and regional educational consortia to act as cosponsors of charter schools; and

**WHEREAS**, the FSEC conditionally approved the Application of the City of Hialeah to be a cosponsor of charter schools, subject to negotiations and execution of a contract acceptable to the FSEC and the Cosponsor; and

WHEREAS, the FSEC has the duty to establish expectations and hold cosponsors accountable for their performance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cosponsor may not receive applications for charter schools until the Cosponsor and the FSEC have executed a contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, THAT:

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Section 1: The foregoing facts and recitations contained in the preamble to this resolution are hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2: The City of Hialeah, Florida hereby authorizes the Mayor and the City Clerk, as attesting witness, on behalf of the City, to enter into a cosponsor agreement with the Florida Schools of Excellence Commission to cosponsor charter schools, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof in substantial form acceptable to the City Attorney as Exhibit "A".

Section 3: This resolution shall become effective when passed by the City Council and signed by the Mayor or at the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting, if the Mayor's signature is withheld or if the City Council overrides the Mayor's veto.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 24th day of June , 2008.

Esteban Bovo Council President

Approved on this day of day of , 2008.

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

William M. Grodnick City Attorney

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Resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote with Councilmembers Bovo, Caragol, Casals-Muñoz, Garcia-Martinez, Gonzalez, Hernandez, and Yedra voting "Yes".